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## Our Troops Advancing All Along The Battlefront: Kesselring Desperately Tries To Regroup His Broken Forces

# ALLIES BUILD NAZI LINE OFF THE HITLER

THE HITLER LINE, WHICH THE GERMANS SPENT MONTHS TO PREPARE IN ITALY, HAS BEEN OVERRUN IN 24 HOURS BY THE LIGHTNING THRUST OF THE VICTORIOUS ALLIED FORCES. THE PLIGHT OF THE GERMANS IS INCREASING EVERY HOUR. ONE MORE GOOD PUSH BY THE ALLIES WILL SEE THE SMASHING OF THE MAIN ENEMY DEFENCES ON THE ROAD TO ROME.

The Allied breakthrough into the Hitler Line was made on both the east and west sectors. A Polish commando last night announced that their troops, sweeping down from the hills above Cassino, have captured Piedmonte and also the region of Crono, near Highway Six, which forms part of the enemy line.

On the coastal sector, French and American troops advanced so rapidly that the disorganised Germans had no time to man the Hitler defences before they were bundled out.

Only in the central Liri Valley sector is the Hitler Line holding, though it has already been dented by the Eighth Army in bitter fighting for Pontecorvo and Aquino.

With the aid of a maze of pill-boxes and strong-points the enemy are here making a desperate attempt to hold back the Eighth in order to give Kesselring time to regroup his forces further back.

But yesterday's fighting, the most optimistic since the battle began, indicated that Kesselring's hopes of making a determined new stand are almost doomed.

"Giving the enemy no respite," stated the Allies have moved forward with great vigour all along the battle front.

On the whole line, the enemy has prevented his forces from stabilising his line south of the Liri River.

The enemy is therefore being forced back on his own terms, with the Allies advancing from Pico to Terracina.

Even this switch line is already being menaced by the Allied advance. French, following the capture of the German strong-points of Pico, on which the whole line hinges.

East and west of the town they have the roads under their control. Halfway between Liri and Pico they have captured the village of German administration, the village of Campolongo. This brings the Allies to the most vulnerable point of penetration.

The American Fifth Army has entered Cassino, which stands on the headland facing Terracina, and has taken it by storm.

On the Eighth Army front our troops have within 1,000 yards of the enemy and have broken through a terrific artillery barrage.

Further along the front the Eighth have got a foothold in Aquino and are pushing eastwards. German prisoners taken since the start of the offensive now total 5,000.

**DAVID BROWN**  
Reuter's Special Correspondent, captured yesterday from Allied Advance H.Q.

With the collapse of the southern half of the Hitler Line, the Fifth Army is driving eastwards, disorganised and harried German forces back on to the longer and less defensible switch line.

On the coastal sector, British troops who breached the Hitler Line at Santa Olivia in the Aurunci mountains have reached heights of some 2,000 feet.

At them, 2,000 Mount Croc, towers immediately over the Hiri-Pico road, so that Kesselring's communications are already cut at its southern end.

Eighth Army guns are giving the northern half of the Hitler Line a close-up pounding, smashing through desperate German resistance and forcing them back.

British armour drove right to the edge of the vital mountain defences.

They poured shells among the German infantrymen, who, taken by surprise, had no time to get into the pill-boxes, machine guns and concrete positions.

In the Liri Valley, Eighth Army troops were seen yesterday in and from a range of only 1,000 feet, and were laying out the line of the German paratrooper divisions.

According to recently captured German troops, the Hitler Line has been renamed the Dora Line.

"This is an easy way of avoiding serious loss of credit," British staff officer commented. "It can obviously be used again and again until the Hitler Line coincides with Unter den Linden."

Comment by the German News Agency: "The fast Allied units



## Huge U.S. Forces Waiting 'At Home' REINFORCEMENTS FOR EUROPE

From HAROLD HUTCHINSON, B.U.F. Staff Correspondent

With the U.S. Forces Somewhere in America.

I HAVE just seen dozens of United States armoured and infantry divisions fully trained and equipped with everything they can possibly need.

They expect to sail right into the Allied beachheads in Western Europe, and they expect to do it soon. I have just completed a 1,000-mile tour of the United States, where in the blazing heat hundreds of thousands, possibly millions, of men, fully trained, are awaiting their turn to enter the battle.

Over thousands of square miles of the south the air reverberates with the sound of the sound of battle as artillery, tanks, mortars and chemical companies are being sent to the front in great numbers.

They lack nothing. After my tour I can say that the immense American forces now in Britain have behind them the most tremendous reserve of power that any army has ever enjoyed.

When the beaches are secured and the assault forces of Britain are established in force, reinforcements to any conceivable extent can flow from these enormous army reserves.

That lack nothing. Ammunition and guns are so plentiful that hundreds of thousands of rounds of live ammunition are fired daily with everything from giant 480-mm. howitzers down to ordinary rifles.

And there is something more. That "something more" is the deadly resources of the United States chemical units, only to be used if the Germans start gas warfare.

The United States is ready to fight to a finish in Europe and, at the same time, to deliver some scorching blows against Japan herself.

"CHINDITS" 4 TO 1 VICTORY

The air score board on the Chindits' operations room shows this impressive score of Japanese aircraft in two months, said a S.E. Asia Command announcement yesterday.

Shot down at Broadway, nine (six by a roadblock, three by anti-aircraft fire).

The Air Commandos (under Col Cochran) have destroyed five in the air and 76 on the ground. Total 99.

Our losses in all types of aircraft operating with Chindits, including glider "troops," are 23, or a ratio of over 4 to 1.

## Goebbels Is Very Anxious

## More Signs Of Enemy Jitters

"PEP" is still more the order of the day in Germany, as "the hour" all Nazis dread approaches. But it is not impressing the scared people.

All yesterday the official news agencies and wireless stations were rattling "cheerfulness."

And Goebbels addressed German officers in Berlin, warning them that "the decision whether a nation is to be or not to be is not merely determined by violence and material, but by sticking things out and winning the war."

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## GENERAL DWIGHT EISENHOWER, Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces of Liberation poised in Britain, yesterday gave his first orders to Europe's vast underground army standing ready to strike on D-day.

His instructions—to take minute and detailed note of every single move of the foe, his men and tanks and guns, their markings and strength—were given by a member of his staff over ABSIE, the new American broadcasting station in Europe, headquarters of which are in London.

This was the first time the station has been used to issue orders to the underground army. This is its main task—direct support of the Allied invasion.

Here is the text of the message in so far as it concerned the underground army.

"You are about to hear the voice of the staff of the Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force. He will speak to you of the plans and preparations now being perfected."

"The Supreme Commander counts upon you as part of his force, not being members of the official front line, but of the official front line on the German and Italian fronts."

"As part of this force you will want to know what the order of the day is for you when the time comes for you to act."

"Before that time for you, like the armed forces, must complete your final preparations, must be disciplined and vigilant. For just as the enemy tries to discover military intentions, so we must try to discover yours, and to do so we must be ready before you can co-operate with the Allied forces which are coming."

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## Commissars For German Army

## HITLER FEARS HIS SOLDIERS!

HITLER has introduced political commissars—known as "National Socialist Guidance Officers"—into the German army in a last-minute attempt to stiffen morale in the rank on the eve of the Western invasion.

This move must be regarded as the most serious sign yet of Hitler's anxiety about German army morale since the abolition of political officers in the German army during this war was the failure of the Soviet troops' morale to stand the strain," he writes in the "National Zeitung."

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## 'Miracle' If Germans Stick It

From a British United Press Staff Correspondent in the German Front

PORT nearly five years I have known the German people, the nearly "eye-witness" and never have her people been so tense and desperate as they are today.

In face of the impending attack from east and west, an overwhelming state of nervous tension has gripped the average German. People coming out of the country say it is a miracle that German people can stand the strain a few months longer.

Everywhere the German people are convinced that the war is lost. The most frequent phrase heard in discussions about the war is: "What is the use of going on?"

Wallace's China Mission

Washington, Saturday. President Roosevelt announced today that Mr. Henry Wallace, Vice-President, has left for China.

Mr. Roosevelt in a statement said that the Vice-President's mission was to gather information on a war area of "the utmost importance to our future peace and prosperity."

Mr. Roosevelt, in his statement, declared that Eastern Asia will pay a very important part in the future peace of the world.

"For the time being nothing more can be said of certain aspects of the Vice-President's trip. He will be visiting a dozen countries in the world."

He left today and will report to me upon his return, which is expected to be about the middle of July.—Reuter.

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## 200 AT RACES Caught Without Identity Cards

TWO HUNDRED people were taken to a London police station last night after a surprise identity card check.

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Where's my BOURNVILLE COCOA?

Always keep your cocoa in a tin

## LET'S TALK OVER



In the long tally of Nazi victims, one crime more or less seems to be the shooting of 47 Allied Air Force officers, prisoners of war who attempted to escape, and this is an outrage which can be neither forgotten nor forgiven. Hitherto even the Germans have admitted the murder of prisoners. True, they put many of our men into iron bars, but they did not shoot them, and yet 47 of them were shot dead, 13 were recaptured and only 14 are reported to be still at large.

Germany has been asked for a full explanation. She has not yet answered. She may not supply one. In either event, the Allies should certainly not be satisfied with mere excuses. The shooting of these officers is a crime which should be made responsible for these shootings on trial for murder when war is over and executed when it is found guilty.

PENDING the Premier's statement on foreign affairs—which is expected to make in Parliament this week—our friends the world over, must have been greatly heartened by the broadly declared policy expressed in the declaration of the Empire Prime Minister.

At first reading, this declaration may not seem to show much advance upon the general terms of the Atlantic Charter, but on closer examination it can really be regarded as "an historic document."

For it stresses a British Commonwealth war motive, which ordinary men and women can appreciate, but which no war-monger can possibly understand. Here it is:

"We seek no advantage for ourselves at the cost of others. We desire the welfare and social progress of all nations, and we believe that we can help each other to build a broader day."

In 1918, when this quarter of a century ago, politicians were talking about the war to end wars. Then it was only talk, because no attempt was made to dig up war by the roots.

The time there is at least some hope that the world's leaders intend to discover and destroy the causes of conflict.

BELIEVING that we are here dealing with affairs of supreme importance to you and me and to the world and his people, ventures to point out what seems to him the most serious.

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BEFORE YOU DECIDE IT A COCK-EYED WORLD MAKE SURE YOU'RE NOT SQUINTING YOURSELF.

Premier's recent defence of what the old one stood for, but failed to attain, confirms this view.

But the important phrase is the one I have put in italics, for we are not a League of Nations or a League of Nations or a League of Nations.

Dr. Goebbels has not ceased to prophesy the break-up of our community of nations, but the Nazi can understand and the principle of free partnership. Hitler and Goebbels probably did believe that the Dominions would be free to join the British Commonwealth.

The Nazi leaders are well aware that they cannot count on the loyalty of any of the peoples they have ruled.

They never trusted the Italians

And when "D-Day" dawned, your correspondents saw that millions of French men and French women will give their lives for the cause of freedom.

Indeed, at this moment of supreme suspense there are millions of French men and French women who are waiting for the day when they can help to build a new world.

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## MY GODDESS, MY BREACHES



and they do not now trust the Japanese. For the little countries, which are less Germany's allies than her vassals, every German who is not a half-wit must realize that they will break away at the first opportunity.

But the British Commonwealth stands first—a family of nations divided by great distances and bound together by the tough bonds of trust and friendship, the enduring ties of a common purpose and a common faith.

Herein is the essential strength of democracy and my opinion, the Declaration's second passage of vital significance is the one which reaffirms our faith in the democratic system.

WHEREAS the Atlantic Charter recognized the rights of all people to choose the form of government under which they will live, the Empire Premier's Declaration sets a limit to this dangerously wide freedom of choice.

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## "Man o' the People" Writes on "Things That Matter To You and Me"

HERE, in our relative privacy, behind the Channel's silver shield, we are waiting with curbed impatience for the unknown hour. But few of us can imagine the desperate situation with which our friends on the Continent maintain a valiant struggle.

There are millions—yes, literally millions—of Polish, Norwegian, Belgian and French workers for the cause in the underground movements which honeycomb the Nazi territories.

The Nazi troops of occupation know of these movements, but are powerless to suppress them. Hostages are shot, regulations are constantly made more severe, and the rule of Terror becomes more terrifying.

But the Terror weighs more heavily upon the invaders than upon the invaded. Soldier dare walk alone at night; no Nazi commander can be sure when he sleeps, a German will strike.

ARMED Dutch patriots go to the Continent with their weapons. Isolated Norwegians suddenly obey orders, but help their fellow-countrymen evade censorship.

German soldiers are practising the same kind of patient and cunning as the Polish and French. The Poles are fighting wherever and whenever they can.

In France our armed Allies are doing their own work. They can be wounded and killed, but they are not in danger of being captured.

BACK IN 1938, when Adolf Hitler's desire for peace and yet turning the heat of his aggression to one small neighbor after another, a colleague happened to be in Germany for medical treatment and made the personal acquaintance of several well-placed Nazis.

They made much of him, as you can see, and with any British journalist. And they told him that they could arrange for him to have an interview with Hitler himself.

He said: "I should like nothing better, but there is only one condition."

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question I want to ask Herr Hitler. He says he desires peace. I should like to know how much he is prepared to sacrifice to achieve it. He says he is prepared to sacrifice anything to achieve it. He says he is prepared to sacrifice anything to achieve it.

Man o' the People

IT SEEMS TO ME

"Huffing-And Bluffing!"

IN A GAME OF DRAUGHTS, WHEN A PLAYER PERCEIVES THAT ONE OF HIS MEN WHICH SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN IS NOT TAKEN, HE MAY HUFF HIS OPPONENT.

This is done by removing from play the piece that should have been taken. But, under the rules, a player cannot move a piece until he has taken one.

Thence comes the phrase, "huff and move," and you must move within a specified number of minutes, or you lose the game.

In the political draughts tournament you may go on huffing—and also bluffing—and this usually means to move very soon.

You can do this for years, while the crowd stands huffing around.

A short while ago it became clear that many people were hoping for a reasonably quick move along the board in the direction of equal pay for equal work.

WHEN equal pay first came into the public focus, the gentlemen showed their indignation, and their indignation was not long in showing itself.

But it became evident that the public looked for further action, and therefore these gentlemen showed their reluctant index fingers to the play pieces.

For selection of president and personnel, for researches and deliberations, for their final findings, for intervals in between, for the dainty passage of a Bill, if any, through Parliament, I allow not minutes, not months, but years.

Our old chairman, indeed, are bent over their pieces, apparently deep in contemplation of black anomalies which include their elimination from the board.

ACTUALLY, the mere suggestion that equal pay should be everywhere for equal work is a very serious matter. It should be a leading feature in national administration and industry, for it is the only way to secure a just and lasting peace.

People, who say, should receive payments proportionate to their services, and ability and spirit of industry.

## SECRET SERVICE NEWS

UNDERGROUND organization of foreign based workers is now complete. Based on military discipline, this formidable army is now ready to strike.

Allied breakthroughs in Italy indicate additional progress. German High Command. Main features of the German High Command. Main features of the German High Command.

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